Archaeological Survey of India and they are in good state of preservation. Besides, six Forts are protected by the Government of Madhya Pradesh and one Fort is protected by the Government of Uttar Pradesh in the Bundelkhand region.

(c) Question does not arise.

Apprehensions of NRIs against Kelkar Committee

*118. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:
SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some of the Non-Resident Indians participating in the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas had complained about the Kelkar Committee recommendations on taxes;

(b) if so, what were the main objections raised by them;

(c) whether the Kelkar Task Force had recommended that the very concept of Non-Ordinarily Residents (NORs) be removed and that the tax exemption they get be also withdrawn;

(d) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard; and

(e) whether this recommendation has not been accepted by Government in view of its opposition?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) to (e) As the issues raised by the hon'ble Member relate to tax policy, and the Budgetary exercise being in process, it will not be possible to respond to the question.

Funds for modernisation of airports

*119. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, "Shadow over modernisation of airports", which appeared in the Statesman dated the 8th January, 2003;

(b) if so, whether the Ministry of Civil Aviation has asked for funds from the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs for the upgradation and modernisation of airports;

(c) if so, the facts and details thereof; and

(d) the plans of Government to modernise and upgrade airports during the current Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The modernisation and upgradation plans for airports during the Plan period 2002—07 are as follows:

Delhi — construction of new international terminal complex phase-II, new domestic terminal and replacement of aerobridges; Mumbai — construction of new domestic terminal complex phase-II, modification and expansion of existing terminal 2A and 2B, remote parking bays, naval enclave, strengthening and improvement of secondary runway and widening of flyover; Chennai — construction of new terminal complex phase-II (international and domestic) and integrated cargo terminal; Kolkata — strengthening of main runway, modification of terminal-II phase-II, integrated cargo terminal and construction of hangar; Trivandrum — strengthening of main runway and construction of international terminal.

Agartala — strengthening and extension of runway and construction of terminal building; Ahmedabad — construction of new domestic terminal and taxiway and rapid exit taxiway; Porbandar — construction of new terminal building; Gaya — construction of a new passenger terminal complex including airconditioning and aerobridges; construction of a new civil enclave comprising of a passenger terminal, civil apron and link taxiway at Bhuj and Pathankot; Amritsar — extension and strengthening of runway, construction of integrated passenger terminal building, technical block, fire station etc.; Strengthening and extension of runway at Gaya, Jaipur, Madurai, Coimbatore, Trichy, Aurangabad, Lucknow, Khajuraho and Hyderabad — Jabalpur — construction of new terminal building,

Imphal — strengthening of runway, apron, taxiway, construction of isolation bay and expansion of apron, Ahmedabad — construction of international terminal complex; Varanasi — construction of new integrated terminal complex including aerobridges and central airconditioning; Srinagar — extension and modification of terminal building including HAVC; Calicut — expansion and modification of International terminal building including 3 aerobridges, Dibrugarh — construction of new domestic terminal and strengthening and extension of runway; Guwahati — installation of two aerobridges; Dehradun — development and upgradation of Dehradun airport; Jaisalmer — construction of a new civil enclave, apron and taxiway; Purnea — development of new civil enclave and installation of navigation aids; Vizag — construction of new runway, runway lighting to apron, link taxiways, ILS etc.

Besides above, the following schemes are also included in the plan — Satellite Based Augmentation System for Satellite Navigation, Establishment of Dedicated Speech Communication Network, Automation of ATC Systems with Flight Data Processing System at all major airports. VHF Radio Communication Equipment with Data Link capability, modernisation of CNS facilities and security equipments at all airports. HF Radio Communication Equipment with Data Link capability at Bombay, Delhi, Kolkata, Chennai and Trivandrum airport. Modernisation of Radar/ Non-Radar/Tower training simulator facilities at CATC, Allahabad. Networking of Radar at Delhi, Bombay, Kolkata , Chennai and ATC Centre. Installation of ADS and CPDLC system at Delhi and Bombay airport. In addition to above, there are plans for provision of Crash Fire Tender, X-Ray baggage system, Flight Information Display System and computerisation of cargo management system.

Declaring Srinagar Airport as an International Airport

*120. PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether clearance has been given to declare Srinagar Airport as an international airport; and

(b) if not, by when a decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) and (b) There is no proposal to declare Srinagar Airport as an International Airport at present.